Undertaknigs viz, Coal India Ltd., SAIL, GRSE and other Financial Institutions for office and residential purposes.

N.R.Is. have booked 10 Nos. flats for about 20 thousands sq. fts at Alipore Boat Canal area. Govt. of West Bengal have also requested for 500 flats for distribution among the MIG & LIG applicants at subsidised cost. Some State Governments/Central Government organisations/ Ports have also rtequested to reserve space for them.

Funds for National High Ways in Maharashtra

3988. SHRI SATISH PRADHAN: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the need for strengthening bridges and providing byepass on National High Ways on priority basis;

(b) if so, the financal provisions make against the total requirement for such purposes in Maharasthra during the Eighth Five Year Plan, National Highway wise:

(c) the provision of funds for maintenance of National Highways in Maharashtra for the next five years; and

(d) the measures taken or proposed to be taken to reduce rate of accidents in Maharashtra on National Highways and provide adequate security measures on National Highways in Maharashtra along with other facility/amenities to be provided on National highways?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) and (b) Development of National Highways including strengthening of bridges and providing bypasses is a continuous activity and improvement works are taken up keeping in view the existing condition of the National Highways, traffic intensity, interse priority and the availability of funds. Against the projected requirement of Rs. 7830 crores for the 8th Plan under the Central Sector/Centrally sponsored schemes including National Highways ,the Planning Commission has agreed to an outlay of Rs. 2600 crores. Out of this, an outlay of Rs. 2460 crores is available for National Highways; major portion of this outlay would be utilised for completion of on-going schemes on the existing National Highways. Due to Paucity of funds and large number of development works needing to be taken up in different States including Maharashtra, the Programme for development works in 8th Plan is still to be chalked out in consultation with the Planning Commission.

(c) The provision of funds for maintenance of National Highways is a non-Plan activity and funds are provided on year to year basis, and as such it is not possible to indicate amount likely to be provided during 8th Plan. For the year 1992-93, an allocation of Rs. 1348 lakhs has been made for Maharashtra.

(d) Steps taken/being taken by the Central Government and State Government to reduce accidents on National Highways in the country including those in Maharashtra include engineering, regulatory, enforcement and educational measures. As regards facilities/amenities, truck parking lay byes and passenger oriented wayside facilities are being provided on National Highways in Maharashtra.

Plight of commuters due to Higher proportion of white and green line buses.

3989. SHRI SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to refer to the answer to Starred Question 313 given in Rajya Sabha on the 29th July, 92 and state:

(a) the number of ordinary buses plying on each of tht routes where White Line buses are also plying;

(b) the over all proportion of ordinary buses, Green Line buses and White Line buses operating in Delhi;

(c) whether Government are aware of the Commuter's plight due to higher proportion of White Line and Green Line buses as compared to ordinary buses; and

(d) if so, what are the citeria for introduction of White Line/Green Line buses on a particular route in Delhi?

THE MINISTRE OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) Out of 20 routes where White Line buses are being operated two ordinary buses on route Noida Sector 22 to Nehru Place and 10 Ordinary Buses on the route Pitampura to Connaught Place are operated to the full length. Apart from this, other ordinary buses are overlapping on each of these 20 routes though not covering the entire route.

(b) The proportion of ordinary buses, Green Line buses and White Line buses operating in Delhi is 46 : 3 : 1.

(c) As stated in reply to (b) above the proportion of White Line and Green Line buses is marginal.

(d) Does not arise.

Ahmedabad Vadodara Expressway Project

3990. DR. SANJAY SINH: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Ahmedabad-Vadodara Expressway Project is progressing satisfactorily and is likely to be commissioned as per original schedule;

(b) if so, what is the present status of the project; and

(c) if not, what are the reasons therefor and what steps Government propose to take in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) and (b) No, Sir. The overall progress of the project so far achieved is 47.0 per cent.

(c) The main reason for delay is non-performance of contractors in general on all the contracts for the project. Action has been taken as per terms and conditions of the contracts for recovery of liquidated damages, expulsion of defaulting contractors and awarding works no new agencies.

दिल्ली में सड़क दुर्घटनायें

3991. **श्री विनोद शर्मा** : क्या **जल-भूतल परिवहन** मंत्री 8 जुलाई, 1992 को राज्य सभा में अतारांकित प्रश्न 109 के दिये गये उत्तर को देखेंगे और यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) 1992 के दौरान 30 जून, 1992 तक दिल्ली में सड़क दुर्घटनायें हुई ; और

(ख) सरकार ने इस संबंध में क्या निवारक उपाय किये हैं ?

जल-भूतल परिवहन मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री जगदीश टाइटलर) : (क) दिल्ली में 30 जून, 1992 तक हुई सड़क दुर्घटनाओं की कुल संख्या 4150 है ।

(ख) दिल्ली में सड़क दुर्घटनायें रोकने के लिये दिल्ली यातायात पुलिस ने निम्नलिखित उपाय किये हैं:—

(1) यातायात उल्लघंन के लिये चालकों के विरूद्ध नियमित रूप से अभियोजन की कार्रवाई की जाती है ।

(2) यातायात पुलिस के सड़क सुरक्षा कक्ष द्वारा व्याख्यानों, सड़क सुरक्षा साहित्य, फिल्म-प्रदर्शनों, सार्वजनिक घोषणा प्रणाली इत्यादि के माध्यम से चालकों को नियमित रूप से सुरक्षित ड्राइविंग के लिये शिक्षित किया जाता है ।

(3) बस स्टापों पर बसों की उचित पार्किंग, अपनी लेन में ड्राइविंग, स्टाप लाइन और जैबरा क्रासिंग आदि के लिये दिल्ली की सड़कों, बस स्टापों और चौराहों पर व्यापक रूप से मार्किंग की गई है ।